

SteamaxTM

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS



Steam Vapor Cleaning System

For Safely Cleaning and Sanitizing . . .

Without Chemicals

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IMPORTANT - READ FIRST!

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1

Use 110V - 115V power outlet only.

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When using the Steamax™, like any electrical appliance, the following rules should always be observed:

- Do not use the Steamax™ bare-footed.
- Do not use an extension cord in the bathroom or shower areas without taking special precautions.
- Do not pull the cord or Steamax™ in a way that would cause the Steamax™ to unplug.
- Do not move the Steamax™ by pulling or lifting it by its cord.
- Protect the Steamax™ from the weather (rain, direct sunlight, etc.).
- Do not clean the Steamax™ base unit with steam from the Steamax™ and always store it in a dry place.
- Do not allow children or inexperienced people to use the Steamax™ without supervision.

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Always unplug the Steamax™ from the 110/115V plug:

- Before filling or emptying the tank.
- When the Steamax™ is not being used, even for a short time.
- Before cleaning or servicing.

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When plugging in or unplugging the power cord from the electrical outlet, make sure your hands are dry.

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In the case of breakdown and/or malfunction, switch off the Steamax™ and do not tamper with it. Only AmeriVap® Systems technicians should service it.

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To prevent the cord from overheating, fully unwind the cord before use.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS (cont.)

- 7** The boiler is fitted with a safety cap which prevents the tank from being opened while there is still pressure inside.
- 8** Do not plug in the Steamax™ or operate it if any of its components are damaged or if the Steamax™ leaks.
- 9** The Steamax™ can reach very high temperatures during use. Be careful not to touch certain parts (i.e. end of nozzles) as you could be scalded.
- 10** When using an extension cord, make sure it is rated for 15A or higher. (Using lower rated extension cord will void the warranty.)
- 11** Only use tap water in the Steamax™. Do not add chemical, detergent, or any other chemical additive. Filling the Steamax™ with anything other than tap water will void the warranty. *Do not use DI (Deionized) water.*
- 12** Do not spray steam at people, animals or plants at close distance. When cleaning silk plants, keep a safe distance from them to avoid damaging them.
- 13** When using accessories, use each one for the appropriate surfaces.

More Important Notes

- *Condensation may leave water drops in the hose and accessories since the last use or during idle time. Therefore, before you start cleaning, it is advisable to adjust the steam level to its maximum and let the steam escape for a few seconds to clear the condensed water drops from the hose and attachments.*
- *Do not use the Steamax™ to clean non-heat resistant materials.*
- *Do not leave the steam level at its maximum for too long: a medium level is usually enough, and less energy and water are required.*
- *When doing the initial cleaning with steam, especially for ground-in dirt, longer steaming time than usual may be required to get the best results.*

Steamax™ Parts

FIGURE 1



1. Carry Handle
2. Boiler ON Lamp
3. Power ON Lamp
4. Safety Cap
5. Cord Winder
6. Hose Plug
7. Flexible Hose
8. Steam ON Switch
9. Clip on Locking Connector

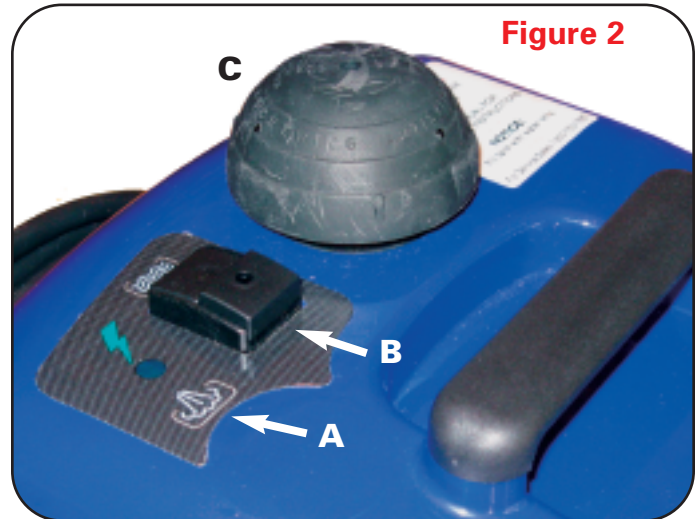
10. Steam Nozzle
11. Small Round Brush
12. Large Round Brush
13. Rectangular Brush
14. Elbow
15. Non-spill Filling Bottle
16. Triangular Brush
17. Window Squeegee
18. Extension Tubes

OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS

- 1" Stainless Steel Detail Brush
- 1" Bronze Steel Detail Brush
- 2.5" Circular Bronze Brush
- 2.5" Circular Stainless Steel Brush
- Wall Tool Attachment
- Slim Nozzle Extension Tool
- Blitz Pad Holder
- Pad Pak Assortment. - Wh/Gry/Brn/Blk (1 ea)
- 2.5" Sink Drain Pressure Cleaning Accessory
- 5" Sink Drain Pressure Cleaning Accessory
- Deluxe Carrying Case

CONTROL PANEL

- A. Power ON light. It comes on when the Steamax™ is plugged in to indicate that the Steamax™ is connected into the power plug.
- B. Boiler heating switch. This switch light comes on to indicate that the boiler is powered up and heating up.
- C. Boiler safety cap.



Steam Level Regulation

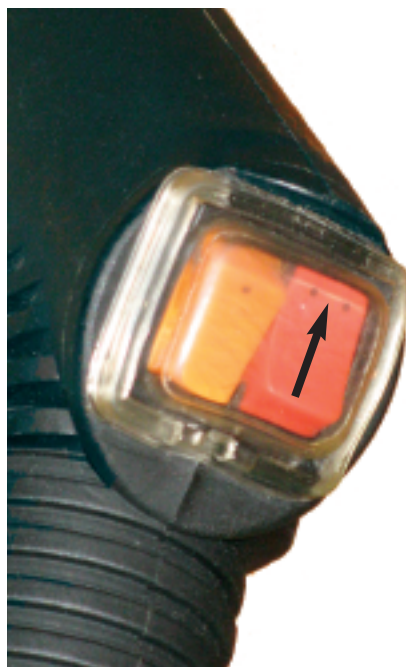
Figure 3

- Press (•) Orange — Low Pressure
- Press (••) Red — Medium Pressure
- Press (•) + (••) Orange & Red — High Pressure

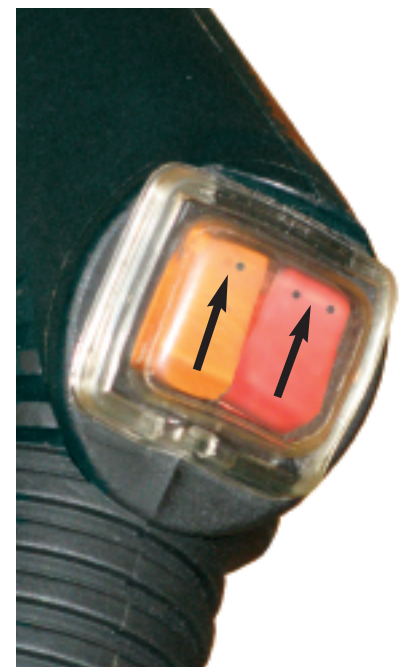
LOW



MEDIUM



HIGH



Using the Steamax™ unit

BOILER FILLING

- Fill with tap water only.
- Make sure that the Steamax™ is not plugged into an electrical outlet.
- Place the Steamax™ on a flat surface.
- Unscrew the boiler cap. (C in Figure 2). The boiler has maximum capacity of 2.4 quarts.
- Insert the tip of the filler bottle filled with tap water and push down. When the boiler is full, filler bottle will stop automatically.
- Close the boiler cap again.

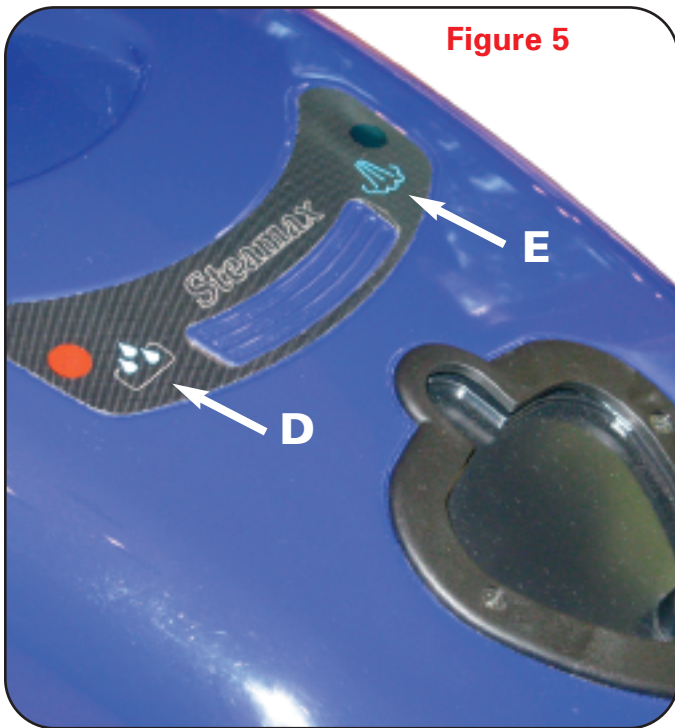
Important: Do not over fill. Use only tap water; do not add chemical detergents or any other chemical additive.

Figure 4



CONNECT TO 110/115V POWER

Figure 5



- Unwind the cord completely and plug into a 110-115V electrical outlet.
- The green power Light (A, Figure 2) will come on indicating that the Steamax™ has been connected and is being powered up.
- Press the lower boiler-heating switch (B, Figure 2). The light in this switch will come on indicating that the water in the boiler is being heated. (This will take approx. 10 minutes.)
- Wait until the control light (E, Figure 5) comes on to indicate that the pressure of the water in the boiler has reached its operation level and the Steamax™ is ready for use.

Important: The Steamax™ unit requires power sockets and extension cords (if used) that are rated at 15A or higher. Insufficient voltage and current may damage the product.

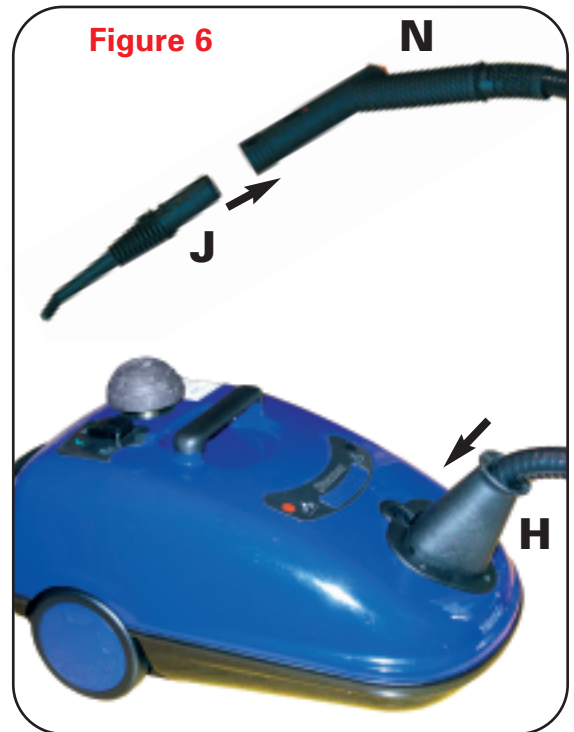
FITTING ACCESSORIES

Before fitting the accessories, turn off the steam switch located on the handle (N, Figure 6).

Steam hose with grip

Figure 6

- Slide Up the safety panel (on the front) of the Steamax™.
- Insert the supply plug (H, Figure 6) into the socket under the safety panel. Make sure that the safety panel fits into the slot on the topside of the panel.
- Check, by pulling slightly, that the supply plug is correctly fixed into the Steamax™ socket.



Steam nozzle

(fit directly into grip)

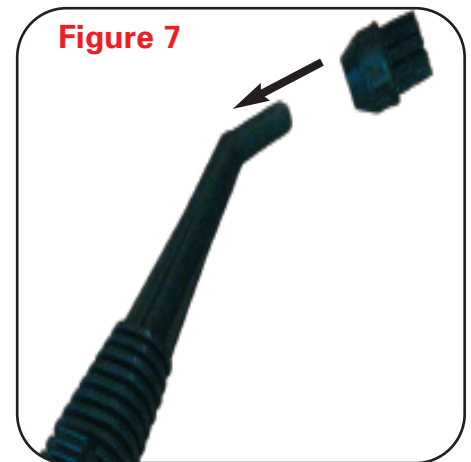
- Insert the steam nozzle into the grip (J, Figure 6) until it clicks into place, making sure that the locking tab is in line with the hole.

Small round brush

(fit directly onto the steam nozzle)

Figure 7

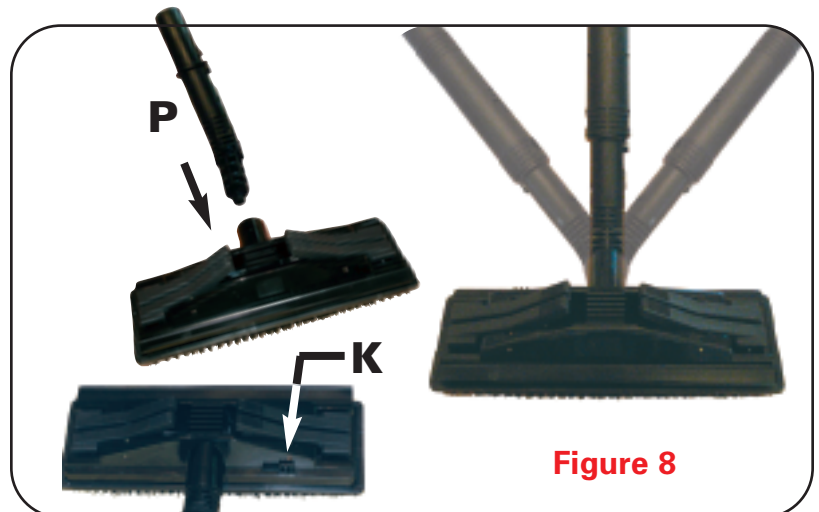
- Press slightly to fix the brush onto the steam nozzle.



Large Rectangular cleaning brush

Figure 8

- Slide the flexible universal fitting (P, Figure 8) into the brush.
- Move the catch on the brush (K, Figure 8) to the "movable" position if you want the fitting to have 180 degree movement, or to the "fixed" position if you want to keep the brush fixed.



FITTING ACCESSORIES (cont.)

Extension Tubes **Figure 9**

- Slide the end of the extension tube on with the holes aligned until it clicks into place (Figure 9) onto the tool you will be using, making sure that the locking tab is in line with the hole.

Figure 9

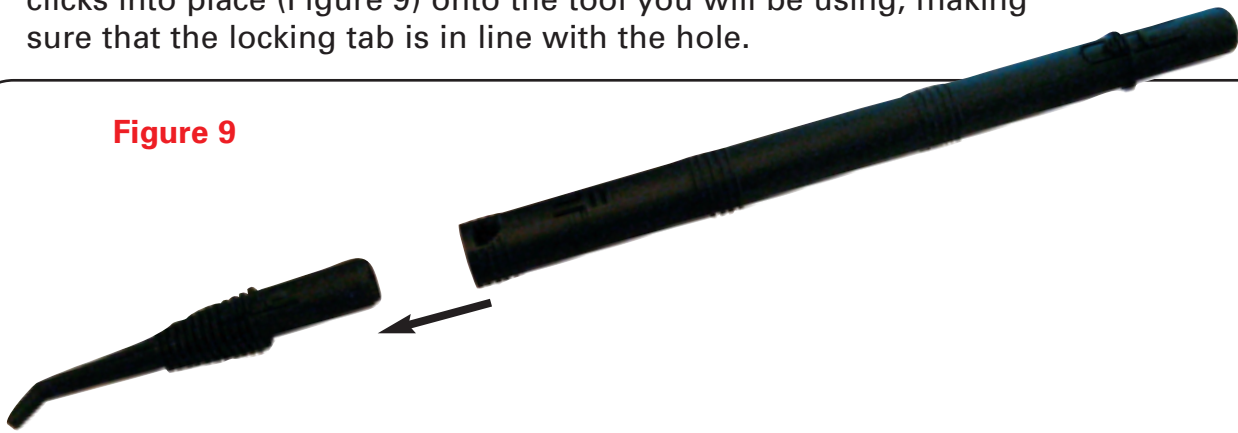
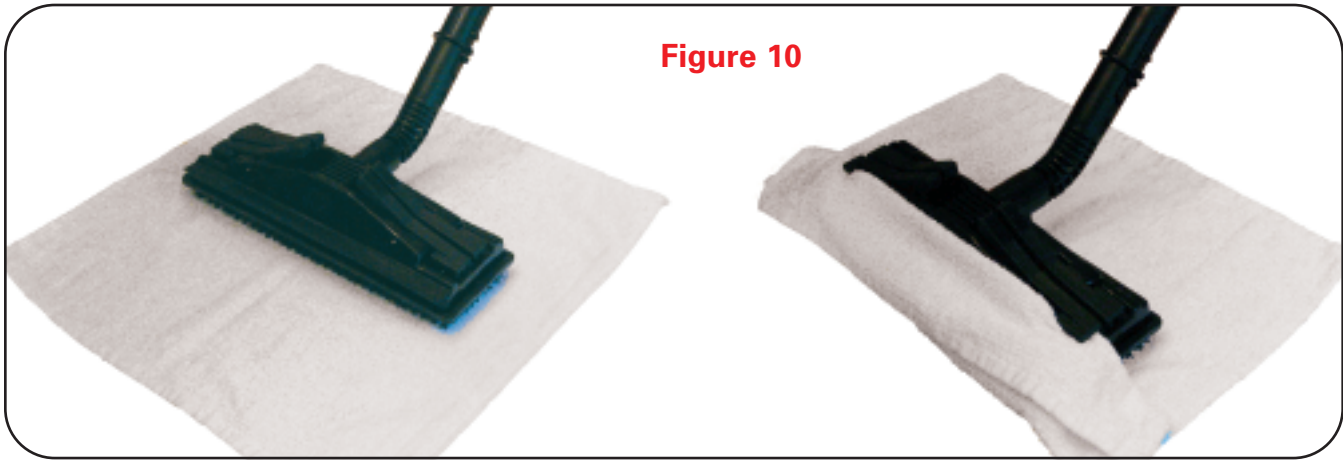


Figure 10



Floor cloth **Figure 10**

- Place the floor cloth on the floor with the clean side facing the floor.
- Place the brush in the center of the floor cloth.
- While pressing one of the black clips on the brush, slide the ends of the floor cloth under the raised black clips.
- Repeat the last step with the other clip and the other end of the cloth.

Attention:

For Safety reasons, do not use the steam floor brush to clean electrical appliances and installations.

To clean delicate carpet or upholstery, please check with the manufacturer's instructions.

APPLICATIONS

The rectangular brush is ideal for cleaning floors and walls without the need for detergents or chemical products. The following are some other Steamax™ uses.

- **Cleaning ceramic tile floors, carpets and tiled walls**
- **Cleaning windows, mirrors, glass cabinets and other glass surfaces**
- **Removing stains in carpets, furniture, upholstery and clothes**
- **Removing grease and dirt and sanitizing kitchen units, such as cupboards, sinks, ovens, refrigerators, tables, etc.**
- **Cleaning shutters, blinds, corners and angles that are particularly difficult to reach**
- **Sanitizing and cleaning sinks, bathtubs, showers, etc.**
- **Cleaning garden furniture and tools**

How to Clean with the Accessories

Cleaning with the Steam Nozzle

The steam nozzle is for cleaning areas which are difficult to reach. Follow these steps to use steam to eliminate dirt and germs from corners and angles, cracks and gaps:

- Press the steam switch to loosen the dirt with the steam jet.
- Remove the dirt with the supplied absorbent floor cloth.
- To eliminate ground-in dirt, we recommend the use of small round brush, fitted to the steam nozzle.

Important: *The steam from the Steamax™ nozzle reaches a temperature of 220°F at the tip. When cleaning heat sensitive materials, hold the steam nozzle at least 4-5 inches from the surface.*

Cleaning Floors (Figures 8 and 10)

Clip on a clean, absorbent cloth to the rectangle brush (Figure 10).

HINT: *For best result, wash and dry cloth prior to its first use after purchase.*

- Press the steam switch. (Figure 3)
- Clean the floor without rubbing too hard.
- To clean particularly dirty floors, first use a large brush without the floor cloth to allow more steam to loosen dirt (no need to apply pressure). Once the dirt is loosened, fix the clean cloth to the brush and remove the dirt.
- As the cloth picks up dirt, you can flip the cloth over to use the clean size to minimize dirty cloths.

Important: *Be particularly careful when cleaning heat-sensitive materials. On hardwood floors, keep the brush moving at a steady pace. Do not over wet the surface.*

How to Clean with the Accessories (cont.)



Figure 11

Cleaning Glass Surfaces **Figure 11**

To clean glass, use the window squeegee as follows:

- Press the steam switch.
- Gently slide the squeegee over the glass with brush and its steam holes facing towards the surface.
- Remove stubborn dirt with the ribbed edge of the rubber on the upper part of the accessory.
- Switch the steam off.
- Remove the dirty water from the glass using the ribbed edge of the rubber on the upper part of the accessory.
- Dry carefully with an absorbent cloth, such as the one supplied.

Important: *It is always necessary, especially in winter, to pre-heat the window panes before cleaning them. To do this, pass the large brush with the steam engaged over the window at a distance of about 4 inches from the surface.*

Cleaning Carpets

To clean the entire carpet surface, follow these steps:

- Attach the floor cloth to the brush (rectangular or triangular). (Figure 9)
- Press the steam switch. (Figure 3)
- Slowly move the brush without applying any pressure.
- Wrap the floor cloth around the brush again with a clean part facing the carpet.

Important: *As a general rule, when cleaning delicate materials, adjust the steam level to its minimum setting. Before starting, check the quality of the carpet (color fastness and heat resistance) by directing a jet of steam in a hidden corner. Be particularly careful when cleaning velvets.*

To Remove Stains from Carpet

- Fit the steam nozzle onto the grip. (Figure 6)
- Press the steam switch. (Figure 3)
- Direct a jet of steam across the stained surface of the carpet.
- Have a clean cloth ready to remove the dirt as it gets loosened away from the surface of the material.

Attention: *Egg white stains can, under the effect of the steam, become fixed onto the fabric.*

STEAMAX™ RUNS OUT OF WATER DURING OPERATION

A light (D, Figure 4) comes on to indicate that there is no water left in the tank. When this happens, the Steamax™ stops, and the boiler stops. To refill the boiler and continue cleaning, follow these steps:

-  **1 Press the upper boiler switch (B, Figure 2). The light on this switch goes off, indicating that the boiler is no longer powered up.**
-  **2 Continue working to use up any remaining steam in the boiler. This is extremely important as it allows you to open the safety cap (C, Figure 2).**
-  **3 Once you have checked that all the steam is used up, unplug the Steamax™.**
-  **4 Press the top of the safety cap in its center (hole) with thumb and turn the cap like a prescription bottle.**
-  **5 Slowly unscrew the safety cap (C, Figure 2) and let any remaining steam escape. Be careful not to let any hot steam or hot water come into contact with your skin or any person or animal near the unit.**
-  **6 Refill: First fill with 5 short presses down on the bottle to limit the initial amount of water while the boiler is cooling off. Then, press down on the filler bottle fully to fill the boiler.**

CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Cleaning the Base Unit

Clean the Steamax™ and accessories with a damp cloth and dry them. Do not immerse the Steamax™ in water or use steam. Drain regularly (after 5-10 uses).

Mineral Deposits Removal

1. Always unplug from the electrical outlet and check that the Steamax™ has cooled down completely.
2. Add 2 to 5 oz. of WHITE vinegar, Lime Away™, C.L.R™. or other commercial coffee maker or humidifier cleaner to 32 oz. of water and pour into the stainless steel tank.
3. Allow the mixture to sit in the tank for several hours.
4. Using the metal end inside the safety cap, open the drain plug at the bottom of the boiler (Figure 12) and empty the tank.
5. Fill and drain the tank 3 times with clean water to totally flush out the cleaning solution. Replace the drain plug. Your system is now ready to be filled with clean water and restarted.

IMPORTANT: *Never try to remove mineral deposits if the appliance is still warm or plugged in.*

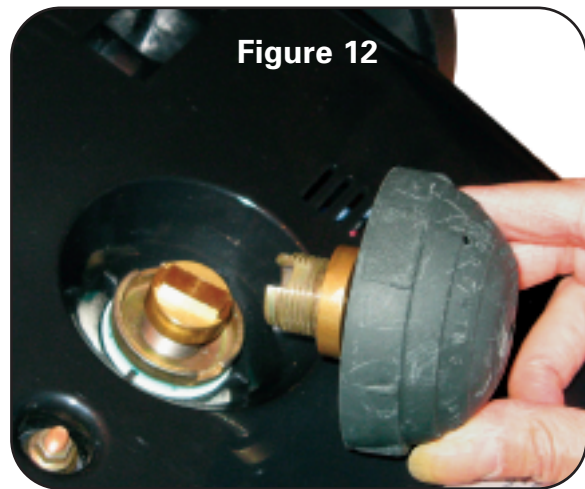
Storing the **Steamax™** After Use

If you intend to use the Steamax™ again within a few days, follow the steps below:

1. Press the upper boiler switch (B, Figure 2). The light on this switch goes off, indicating that the boiler is no longer powered up.
2. Unplug from the electrical outlet.
3. Before storing, wait until the Steamax™ cools down completely.

If you do not intend to use the Steamax™ again within a few days, follow the steps below:

1. Press the upper boiler switch (B, Figure 2). The light on this switch goes off, indicating that the boiler is no longer powered up.
2. Continue working to use up any remaining steam in the boiler. This is extremely important as it allows you to open the safety cap (C, Figure 2).
3. Once you have checked that no more steam is delivered, unplug from the electrical outlet.
4. Leave the Steamax™ for 2-3 hours to fully cool off before proceeding to the next step.
5. Press down on the top (hole) of the safety cap with thumb and turn like a prescription bottle.
6. Slowly unscrew the safety cap (C, Figure 2) and let any remaining pressure escape.
7. Using the metal end of the safety cap, open the drain plug at the bottom of the boiler (Figure 12) and empty the tank.



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- **Find cleaning hints**
- **Learn about using the right accessories**
- **Buy supplies**
- **Learn more about what Amerivap®'s Dry Steam Vapor Technology can do for your family and business**

SOME CLEANING SUGGESTIONS

BATHROOMS

- Tile & Grout Detail Cleaning
- Porcelain Fixtures, Toilets
- Chrome and Brass Surfaces
- Sinks and Fixtures
- Doors, Corners & Door Jambs
- Mirrors and Glass
- Shower Doors, Tracks & Stalls
- Bathtubs, Jacuzzi Jet Nozzles

KITCHEN and DINING AREAS

- Clean, Sanitize and Defrost Freezers and Refrigerators without removing food
- Sanitize Counter Tops, Cutting Surfaces and Sinks
- Clean Linoleum, Tile, Hardwood Floors
- Clean Grease Buildup on Walls, Cabinet Surfaces, Appliances
- Clean Oven Hoods
- Sanitize all Stainless Steel Surfaces
- Sanitize & Deodorize Trash Cans

AUTO / RV

- Clean Uphostery, Dash, Carpet and Windows
- Carpet/Uphostery Stain Removal
- Clean Wheels
- Clean and Remove Tar

HOUSEHOLD

- Clean Metal Door Thresholds and Door Tracks
- Remove Gum from Floors, Walls, etc.
- Clean Plants, Real & Artificial
- Clean and Sanitize Toys
- Clean Windows
- Spot Clean Carpet Stains
- Clean all Floor Surfaces including Marble and Hardwood
- Clean and Sanitize Mattresses- Remove Odors and Stains
- Clean Sliding Glass Doors and Window Tracks
- Kill and Remove Odors from Mold and Mildew

MISC.:

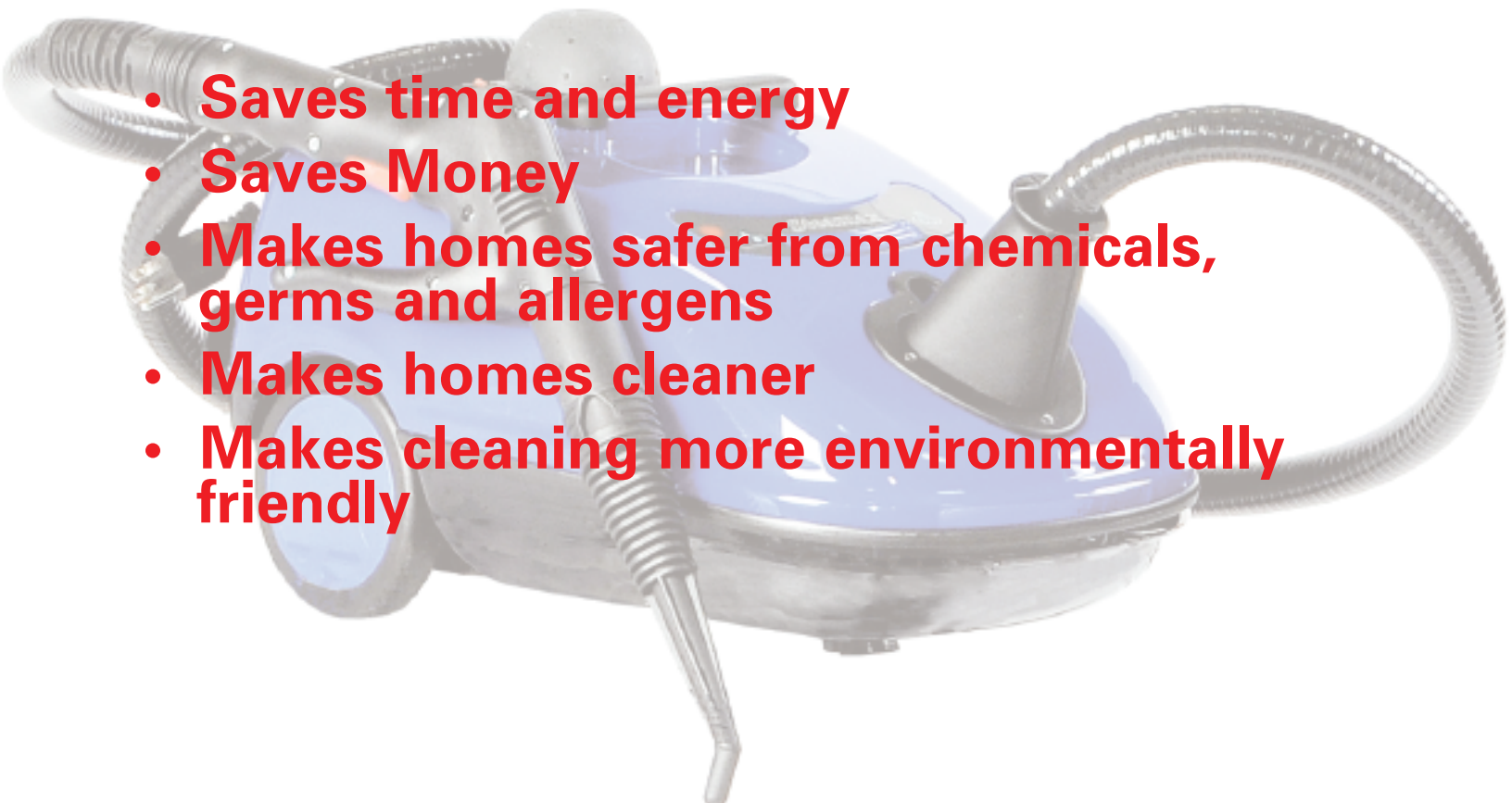
- Clean Tools and Equipment
- Clean Filters & Air Return Vents
- Remove Glue and Adhesive
- Removing Wallpaper
- Remove Nicotine & Tar Residue
- Clean and Sanitize Pools, Decks, and Spas
- Clean and Sanitize Health Fitness Equipment
- Clean Patio Furniture
- Spot Clean Draperies
- Kill Bed Bugs and Their Eggs
- Kill Fleas and Their Eggs
- Clean Bird Cages

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The Naked Eye!*

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